CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	Bbf030.jpg
Other known title(s):	Not stated
OFLC ref:	1600982.009
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Country of origin:	Not stated
Language:	Not applicable
Applicant:	Secretary for Internal Affairs
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	31 January 2017
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued
Date of notice of decision:	30 January 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

The image file promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The image file depicts sixteen small images that appear to have been taken from a video. The images show a man performing a sexual act on a young teenage girl. The images are intended for sexual arousal and they encourage people with a sexual interest in young girls to consider them as suitable sexual partners, available for adult sexual gratification. The image file encourages the creation or reinforcement of this sexual interest and leads to the exploitation of young and vulnerable members of society. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.